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Andrew Jackson to Thomas Pinckney, April 21, 1814, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by John Spencer Bassett.

TO THOMAS PINCKNEY.

" On the March. " April 21, 1814.

Sir: I will be obliged to you to forward me your letter of instructions, relative to my future course of conduct, referred to in your order of this date.

The situation of Col Williams' Regt, greatly reduced by the battle of Tohopeka and by sickness requires, I think, that the recruiting of it should be superintended by some feild-officer. This was the opinion of the sec: of war who had ordered Majr Montgomery, before he fell to return to Tennessee for that purpose. The great popularity of Col Williams in our state would render him, I am sure the most fit person for this business; and should you think proper to permit him to return for this purpose, I have very little doubt he would be able to fill his Regt very speedily out of the militia who will be discharged on my return. I have the greater wish that this suggestion shd. be approved by you, as I know the anxiety he feels to have his Regiment, and as the present reduction of it was principally occassioned by his faithfull services at Tohopeka.

I have the honor to be etc.